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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: PAK DELEGATION LEAVES FOR DELHI MEETING

1. GOP DELEGATION TO INDIA-PAKISTAN-BANGLADESH TRIPARTITE TALKS LEFT ISLAMABAD APRIL 4 FOR DELHI BY SPECIAL PLANE. DELEGATION, HEADED BY MINSTATE AZIZ AHMED, INCLUDED FONSEC AGHA SHAHI, MFA DIRGEN FOR SOUTH ASIA ABDUL SATTAR, AND DIRECTOR FOR INDIA KHALID SALEEM. ACCOMPANYING DELEGATION WAS 10-MAN CONTINGENT OF PRESS, TELEVISION AND RADIO CORRESPONDENTS.

2. ON EVE OF MEETING, GOP IS CONTINUING TO PURSUE TACTIC FIRST NOTED FEW MONTHS BACK (ISLAMABAD 1955) OF SEEKING TO SEPARATE INDIA AND BANGLADESH BY PORTRAYING LATTER AS INCREASINGLY UNWILLING PARTNER IN INDIA'S DESIGNS AGAINST PAKISTAN. THIS THEME PLAYED BY SENIOR EDITOR AND FREQUENT REGIME APOLOGIST H.K. BURKI IN APRIL 5 FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE IN GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED PAKISTAN TIMES. BURKI NOTED APPROVINGLY BANGLADESH FONMIN'S ARRIVAL STATEMENT IN DELHI AS "CLEARLY REFLECTING" BDG DESIRE TO RESOLVE QUESTION OF THE 195 PAK POWS. "IN SHARP CONTRAST WITH THIS"

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BURKI THEN CITED ALLEGED ARTICLES IN INDIAN PRESS "OBVIOUSLY

PRIMED BY OFFICIAL SOURCES" ATTEMPTING TO LINK FATE OF THE  
195 WITH TRANSFER OF MORE NON-BENGALEES TO PAKISTAN. HE  
SUGGESTED DARKLY THAT THIS COULD BE DEVIOUS INDIAN ATTEMPT  
TO THWART THE PROCESS OF RAPPROCHEMENT BETWEEN  
PAKISTAN AND BANGLADESH.  
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